

COLONY SWIMMING STARS HARD AT PRACTICE FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP GALA

Wilfred Lawrence To Make Bid For Back-Stroke Crown BY "JIN"

With the Colony's Swimming Championships fast approaching, local clubs and their swimmers are holding inter-club galas galore and judging from the many mid-week fetes held recently aquatic stars are keeping themselves fit and trained for the forthcoming finale.

After reviewing the performances to date the following swimmers should be chief contenders for the many titles. Short and Sprint distances: Tsui Hang (E.A.A.), David Hutchinson (V.R.C.), Ng Tsun-man (H.K.U.), and Wong Chi-hung (E.A.A.).

Middle and long distances: Chan Chun-nam (Lai Tsun S.U.), Yau Kai-kwan (Lai Tsun S.U.), Mak Wai-ming (Kowloon R. Union), Charles Huang (V.R.C.), C. Silva Netto (V.R.C.), Robert Chan (C.B.C.) and L. A. Benn (Y.M.C.A.).

Breast or butterfly stroke: Ng Niu-sing Tao, Luis M. Remedios (V.R.C.), Kwok Chun-bang (K.R.U.), Fong Cheng-yu (Lai Tsun S.U.), Enrique Chan (C.B.C.) and Jose Marques (V.R.C.).

Back and medley relay: A. K. Rumjahn (V.R.C.), Wilfrid Lawrence (V.R.C.), Ng Niu-sing Tao, David Hutchinson (V.R.C.), Shek Kam-pui (Sing Tao), and Poole Wing-kai (Lai Tsun S.U.).

LADIES' EVENTS

The following should figure prominently in the ladies' events:

Short and sprint distances: Misses V. Churn, J. Anderson and C. Gutierrez (V.R.C.), Ko Mei-ling (Lai Tsun S.U.), Ho Wai-king (C.B.C.) and Li Po-huen (S.C.A.A.).

Long and middle distances: Misses C. Gutierrez and "Ding" Lopez (V.R.C.), Li Po-huen (S.C.A.A.), Ho Wai-king (C.B.C.), and Cheng Ol-lam (Lai Tsun).

Breast or butterfly stroke: Misses V. Churn (V.R.C.), Tsang Fung-kwan, Ko Mei-ling (Lai Tsun) and Li Po-huen (S.C.A.A.).

Back and medley event: Misses C. Gutierrez, V. Churn and D.

Karpovich Colony Chess Champion

The Committee of the Kowloon Club met on Thursday evening at the Peninsula Hotel, when it was decided to close the various chess tournaments that had been conducted at the club during the year.

The following were named, therefore, as winners of these tournaments:

Colony Championship: L. Karpovich, winner; C. M. Sequeira, runner-up.

Colony Junior Championship: To Yu-lau, winner; A. Y. Biriukoff, runner-up.

Club Championship: C. M. Sequeira and D. E. de Carvalho, joint winners.

Club Junior Championship: A. C. Poupart, winner; A. Benjamin, runner-up.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Kowloon Chess Club will be held at the club room, Peninsula Hotel, on Thursday, September 25, at 4.30 p.m.

H.K.V.D.C. ANNUAL AQUATIC SPORTS

The Annual Aquatic Sports of the H.K.V.D.C. will be held on Saturday, Sept. 20, commencing at 9 p.m.

The following will be the events for the inter-unit championship:

Relay (Free Style): Four men, each to swim two lengths.

Relay (Medley): Three men, each one length.

Diving: Two men from each Unit.

Relay (Free Style): Six men, each one length.

The competing units will be as follows:—Corps Artillery; Mobile Column; Nos. 1, 2, 3 Cos.; Portuguese Cos.; Chinese Cos.; Small Units.

LICENCING BOARD MEETING

A meeting of the Licensing Board will be held in the Council Chamber on Monday, Nov. 3, 1941, at 4 p.m. for the purpose of considering applications for Publicans' Licences, Hotel Keepers' Adjunct Licences and Restaurant Adjunct Licences for the year 1941-1942 under the Distillable Commodities Ordinance, 1932.

Police Courts AT CENTRAL

MUTE SENT TO PRISON

A deaf and dumb, Tsui Tsai, 26, unemployed, was sentenced by Mr. H.G. Sheldon to four months' hard labour when he was convicted on a charge of larceny from the person of Wong Tai-yau, 62, boatman, of four \$1 notes at Stone Nullah Lane, near Cross Street, on Sept. 2.

Defendant pleaded, through Miss Li, principal of the Deaf and Dumb School, that he was hungry and had no clothes and so had to steal.

It was revealed by Det.-Sgt. V.M. Morrison that defendant had two previous convictions for larceny.

FIRST PROSECUTION

Li Yee, 26, of 156 Lockhart Road, appeared before Mr. G. T. Lowry charged with riding a bicycle which was fitted with a warning device not approved of by the Hon. Commissioner of Police.

Defendant failed to appear and his ball of \$5 was estreated.

The case is interesting in that

it is the first prosecution of its kind.

Traffic Sgt. Dingsdale prosecuted

ALLEGED ROBBERS

Chan Chu, 22, together with Yip Chan and Ma Fung, appeared before Mr. Lowry on a charge of having, on August 31, robbed Yau Kiu hung and Chan Yin-tong of \$41 and one fountain pen and \$56 respectively on the steps between Hospital and Po Hing Fong Rds.

Hearing was remanded for 24 hours.

Det.-Sgt. Cochrane is in charge of the prosecution.

PRIVATE CODE

Leung Keung-yu, 60, of 16 Kwai Heung St. was charged before Mr. Lowry with being in possession of a private code.

The defendant is on bail for \$2,000 and hearing has been adjourned for three days.

Sgt. Johnson is in charge of the prosecution.

AT KOWLOON

SPITTING CHARGE

Hon Man, 40, and Tso Wah, 52, were charged with spitting in Pei-ho Street and Laichikok Road respectively on Sept. 4, and were both fined \$5 when they appeared before Mr. H. C. Macnamara.

COSTLY FERRY RIDE

A 16-year-old student, residing at 10 Castle Peak Road, was charged with avoiding payment of ferry fare when he appeared before Mr. Macnamara.

The accused, at 4.40 p.m. on Sept. 4 travelled on a Yaumati ferry and produced his sister's ticket when asked for it.

A fine of \$15 was imposed on the accused.

REMANDED ONE WEEK

Lam Ng, 22, master of trading junk T4506H, and Lam Sui Lung, 34, fokl, of the same junk, with others not in custody, appeared before Major A.N. Macfadyen on a charge of robbery.

They were alleged to have stolen 30 packages of cigarettes, 40 bags of wheat, five packages of cotton yarn, 350 bean cakes and 14 bags of fertilizer, property of Luen Lal & Co., 370 Queen's Road Central.

At the request of the Police, the accused were remanded for a week.

STOLE BRICKS

Li Yick, 27, and Li Yam, 26, appeared before Major Macfadyen on a charge of larceny of 8,320 bricks from the Hongkong Construction Co. Ltd. on three different occasions.

They were fined \$30 or 3 months hard labour on the three charges.

Det.-Sgt. R. McVey prosecuted.

THEFT OF RICE

Before Major Macfadyen, Kin-loong, 24, and Tso-leung, 37, were charged with larceny of two bags of rice from lorry No. 16 at the junction of Tam Kung Road, property of Leung Chung.

Mr. D'Almada Remedios is appearing for second defendant who is on \$100 bail.

Hearing was remanded for 72 hours.

TRESPASSER CONVICTED

Leung Man, 17, appeared before Major Macfadyen charged with larceny of 80 lbs. rivets from Bailey's Shipyard and trespassing in a protected area on Sept. 3.

He was fined \$25 or two months' hard labour on the first count and \$10 or one month on the second.

Sgt. M. Rogers, prosecuted.

H.K. Volunteer Orders

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2nd Battery

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Dress—Fighting Order (Trousers and shirt sleeves) Week-end Camp

Thurs. No parade

3rd Battery

Tues. 5.30 p.m. HQ All members

Dress—Multi. Lecture by Major

Garland "Recognition of aircraft"

Tues. 6.30 p.m. HQ BCA's Class

Dress—Multi. Conducted by Lt. Mc

Lelean.

4th Battery

Tues. No parade

Thurs. 5.30 p.m. HQ All Secs.

Dress—Multi. Kit inspection and gas chamber.

5th AA Battery

Wed. 5.30 p.m. HQ Nos 1 and 2 Secs Dress—Multi. Lecture

Thurs. 3 p.m. HQ No 2 Sec Dress as detailed Hall day training

Field Company Engineers

Mon. No parade

Thurs. 2.30 p.m. KCR Company parade

Dress Helmets shirts shorts, hose tops, boots and puttees

Overalls to be carried Fatigue parties as detailed and technical training for remainder

Corps Signals

Wed. 2 p.m. HQ 1 day training Uniform belts only Signal training in Sections

No. 4 Company

Mon. No parade

Wed. 2 p.m. HQ Company parade

Dress Drill Order, helmets Weapon training

No. 6 Company

Tues. 5.30 p.m. HQ Whole Coy

Dress Multi. Lecture

Fri. 2.30 p.m. HQ NCO's 2 Ptn Officers and N.C.O.'s Dress as detailed in Coy Orders TEWT Remainder

Coy Boots, puttees, shorts, shirts SD caps, helmets over left shoulder

Grenade training (II) Bayonet

Training (III) L.G. TOFT (IV)

Training (V) Grenades I.L. recapitulation

No. 7 Company

Mon. No parade

Fri. 2.30 p.m. HQ 26 Ptn Officers

and N.C.O.'s Dress as detailed in Coy Orders TEWT Remainder

Coy Summer uniform (I)

Grenade training (II) Bayonet

Training (III) L.G. TOFT (IV)

Training (V) Grenades I.L. recapitulation

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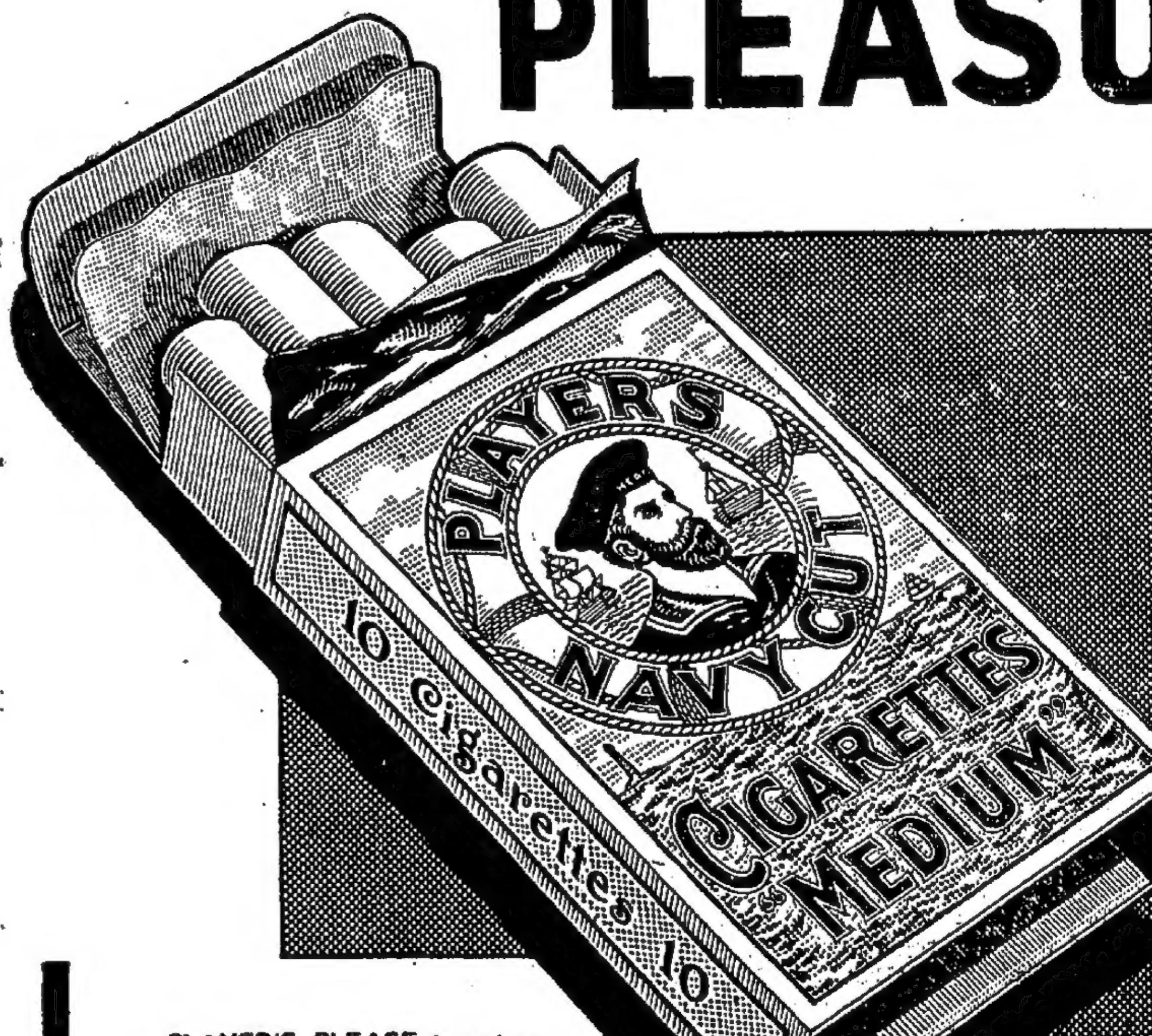


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Three of Hollywood's leading personalities, Rosalind Russell, Brian Aherne and Virginia Bruce, have the starring roles in Universal's "Hired Wife," which comes to the Majestic Theatre on Sunday.

The picture was produced and directed by William Seiter, who gathered considerable praise recently for his direction of Deanna Durbin in "It's A Date." Glenn Tryon was associate producer.

is declared to be a distinct departure from the serious characters he has played.

In direct contrast to her co-

stars, Miss Bruce has one of the few "straight" roles in the entire picture, in her role as a glamorous model.

Supporting the above members of the cast are many featured players including Hobart Cavanaugh, William Davidson, Richard Lane and Charles Smith.

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COMING EVENTS

SEPT

6-Tides:—High 10.40 a.m. and 11.32 p.m.; Low 3.57 a.m. and 4.55 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.07 a.m.; Sunset: 7.36 p.m.
Bank Holiday

St Stephen's Girls' College Entrance Test for new students, 9 a.m.

Lawn Bowls League matches, 2 p.m.

Painting Exhibition at Hotel Cecil

H.K. CSC Swimming Gala, North Point, 7.30 p.m.

Lawfit Bowls League matches, 3 p.m.

Charity Cup Baseball, Chatham Road, 3 p.m.

7-Tides:—High 11.21 a.m. and 11.57 p.m.; Low 3.39 a.m. and 5.27 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

National Day of Prayer Special Service of Intercession in All Churches in the Colony

Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, West Lounge, 9 p.m.

Painting Exhibition at Hotel Cecil Royal Hongkong Golf Club, Championship of Happy Valley and Cadogan's Cup

8-Tides:—High 11.57 a.m. and 12.19 p.m.; Low 5.19 a.m. and 5.51 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.34 p.m.

Grown Land Sale, P.W.D. Office, 3 p.m.

St Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

9-Tides:—High 12.32 a.m. & 12.39 p.m.; Low 6 a.m. and 6.32 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.33 p.m.

Urban Council Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

10-Tides:—High 1.04 a.m. & 12.58 p.m.; Low 6.44 a.m. and 6.50 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.29 p.m.

11-Tides:—High 1.37 p.m.; Low 7.31 a.m. and 7.15 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.31 p.m.

H.K.P.A. Council Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

Claims against Estate of late Mr. J. Williams due

St Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

Annual General Meeting of C.B.A. Clubhouse, King's Park, 6 p.m.

12-Tides:—High 1.22 a.m. & 12.22 p.m.; Low 8.27 a.m. and 7.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.30 p.m.

St Andrew's Wartime Intercession Service, 6.30 p.m.

13-Tides:—High 1.56 a.m. and 3.49 p.m.; Low 9.38 a.m. and 1.55 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.28 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

14-Tides:—High 2.29 a.m. and 6.22 p.m.; Low 11.09 a.m. and 6.42 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.28 p.m.

15-Tides:—High 3.41 a.m.; Low 12.27 a.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.27 p.m.

16-Tides:—High 4.58 a.m. and 8.17 p.m.; Low 1.22 a.m. and 12 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.26 p.m.

St Andrew's Discussion Group, 7 p.m.

17-Tides:—High 5.58 a.m. and 9.17 p.m.; Low 2.27 a.m. and 5.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.30 p.m.

18-Tides:—High 6.58 a.m. and 10.17 p.m.; Low 3.22 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.26 p.m.

St Andrew's Wartime Intercession Service, 6.30 p.m.

19-Tides:—High 7.58 a.m. and 11.47 p.m.; Low 4.27 a.m. and 7.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

20-Tides:—High 8.58 a.m. and 12.47 p.m.; Low 5.27 a.m. and 8.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

21-Tides:—High 9.58 a.m. and 13.47 p.m.; Low 6.27 a.m. and 9.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

22-Tides:—High 10.58 a.m. and 14.47 p.m.; Low 7.27 a.m. and 10.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

23-Tides:—High 11.58 a.m. and 15.47 p.m.; Low 8.27 a.m. and 11.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

24-Tides:—High 12.58 a.m. and 16.47 p.m.; Low 9.27 a.m. and 12.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

25-Tides:—High 1.58 a.m. and 17.47 p.m.; Low 10.27 a.m. and 13.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

26-Tides:—High 2.58 a.m. and 18.47 p.m.; Low 11.27 a.m. and 14.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

27-Tides:—High 3.58 a.m. and 19.47 p.m.; Low 12.27 a.m. and 15.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

28-Tides:—High 4.58 a.m. and 20.47 p.m.; Low 1.27 a.m. and 16.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

29-Tides:—High 5.58 a.m. and 21.47 p.m.; Low 2.27 a.m. and 17.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

30-Tides:—High 6.58 a.m. and 22.47 p.m.; Low 3.27 a.m. and 18.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

31-Tides:—High 7.58 a.m. and 23.47 p.m.; Low 4.27 a.m. and 19.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

32-Tides:—High 8.58 a.m. and 24.47 p.m.; Low 5.27 a.m. and 20.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

33-Tides:—High 9.58 a.m. and 25.47 p.m.; Low 6.27 a.m. and 21.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

34-Tides:—High 10.58 a.m. and 26.47 p.m.; Low 7.27 a.m. and 22.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

35-Tides:—High 11.58 a.m. and 27.47 p.m.; Low 8.27 a.m. and 23.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

36-Tides:—High 12.58 a.m. and 28.47 p.m.; Low 9.27 a.m. and 24.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

37-Tides:—High 1.58 a.m. and 29.47 p.m.; Low 10.27 a.m. and 25.35 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.10 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.

K.C.C. band Concert and Dance Cox's Path

38-Tides:—High 2.58 a.m. and 30.47 p.m.; Low 11.27 a.m. and 26.35 p.m.

GERMAN ATTEMPTS DNEIPER BY PONTOONS REPULSED BY RUSSIANS

Nazi Capture Of Briansk Only A "Radio Victory"

MOSCOW, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — M. Lozovsky, the Soviet spokesman, yesterday ridiculed the German radio claim of the capture of Briansk which he called a "radio victory."

Asked by Reuter whether the German attempts had been made to cross the Dnieper by pontoon similar to that recounted in the Soviet communiqué M. Lozovsky admitted that a number of such attempts were made but that all failed.

He added that the Germans, on still distant approaches to Leningrad, were unable to advance and that they were obliged to rush up large reinforcements in order to maintain their positions.

An unconfirmed report that the army of Marshal Ritter von Leib has contacted Soviet defence line, between ten and twelve miles west and south of Leningrad was telegraphed yesterday by the correspondent of the Svenska Dagbladet of Stockholm.

These defences are stated to consist of a series of forts remaining from the civil war of 1919 have been supplemented and strengthened. These forts, the correspondent continues, are regarded as a serious obstacle by the Germans, calling for strong air attacks if they are to be overcome.

Crediting the Germans with the wish to spare Leningrad the horrors of war, the correspondent mentions that there are no reports of fire bombing attacks on the city itself.

DUAL ATTACK?

It is understood, however, that when the weather permits the Germans are making an attack on the Leningrad defence line and the naval base at Kronstadt protecting the city.

The Russians are reported to be carrying out extensive counter attacks in the central sector of the vast battle front. These counter attacks, it is stated, are proceeding along a line running

south from Viazma (halfway between Smolensk and Moscow) but a claim is made in Berlin that they are not checking the German encircling movement based on Gomel and designed eventually to shut in Kiev.

Beyond claims of the establishment of bridgeheads on the lower Dnieper, reports reaching Berlin about the situation in the Ukraine are scanty. It is suggested, however, that there will very soon be news of the launching of a big German offensive towards the important Donets industrial region which is considered more important than Kiev and Leningrad.

FINNISH CLAIMS

Besides claiming to have reached the former Soviet-Finnish frontier at all points on the Karelian Isthmus, Helsinki telegrams report an intensification of the drive towards the Murmansk

TO CROSS VICEROY'S EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

PATNA, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — Following the recent resignations from the Viceroy's Executive Council by Moslem members a stand has been made by Sir Sultan Ahmed who, on the eve of assuming office as a member of the Council, said: "In accepting the offer of the Vice Roy to succeed Sir Muhammad Zafarulla Khan, I did nothing that is in contravention of the decision of the Moslem League for I am even now convinced that I have done nothing which will be in the least prejudicial to the best interests of the Mussulmans of India."

Sir Sultan Ahmed contended that his appointment, which was necessitated by the resignation of Sir Zafarulla Khan, was wholly unconnected with any scheme of expansion of the Executive Council.

**GENERAL DENTZ
IN JERUSALEM**

Slated For High Post In Vichy Gen. Staff

BEIRUT, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — General Dentz, accompanied by 12 officers of his General Staff, has arrived from Jerusalem on the first stage of his journey back to France.

A Guard of Honour was mounted on the quayside and presented arms before General Dentz boarded his ship which is leaving in a convoy shortly.

Madame Dentz is accompanying her husband who is understood to have accepted the offer of a high post on the Vichy General Staff.

An allied spokesman told Reuter: "We have given the men of Vichy a good lesson in International Law and fair play on how to treat prisoners. Let the Axis ask General Dentz about it."

It is learned that over 100 French seamen deserted from the last convoy of ships arriving from France and joined the Free French forces in the Levant. One mariner was astounded to find Beirut life proceeding normally. He said: "Vichy propaganda told us that Beirut was in ruins and with no petrol for traffic."

The capture of Salla, Kunsamo and Ubiua in this area is claimed by the Finns. These places were ceded to the Soviet Union after the winter war of 1940.

It is added that the Finns have now reached their old frontier everywhere except in the Fishermen's Peninsula on the Arctic Ocean.

MOSCOW PREPARES
MOSCOW, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — Moscow authorities are taking all steps to ensure that the city's population shall have as comfortable time as possible during the winter. Huge reserves of food are being stored, including 400,000 tons of potatoes, and 214,000 tons of other vegetables.

On Wednesday night, Moscow City Council's President, M. Pronin stated that the work of fixing up Moscow's underground stations as air-raid shelters was being completed.

Thousands of beds for children, and double layer of bunks for grown-ups are being provided on stations which have also been provided with running water, good sanitation and even a radio set.

The House Committee have arranged special corners in the shelters with beds for children, and in districts where there are many wooden dwellings, 10,000 dug-out shelters have been constructed with bunks and stoves. Some 3,300 houses are being strengthened to resist the effects of bomb blast. All this work is scheduled to be completed by October 17.

M. Pronin urged the utmost economy in the use of wood and coal, although Moscow has considerable supplies.

BANGKOK, Sept. 6 (Reuter) — Mr. Teiji Tsubokami, the First Japanese Ambassador to Thailand, arrived here yesterday.

Tremendous Battle Raging For Leningrad: Masses Of German Troops, Planes Are Thrown Against Defences

LONDON, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — The most complete reserve on the progress of fighting on the eastern front which continues to be maintained by German and Soviet communiques cannot hide the fact that there is crystallisation of the situation in three directions states a war commentary by ANNALIST.

Marshal Maunerheim has announced that the Finnish forces have reached the old frontiers in the Karelian Isthmus and it will not be long before it is known whether his Order of the Day reminding his soldiers that the time has not arrived for turning "swords into ploughshares" means that they are to continue to wage war for Germany's benefit, or whether they will rest on their laurels and remain on guard over the restored Finnish territory.

A tremendous battle is now raging for Leningrad. Against those formidable rings of outer defences, the German forces are throwing masses of troops and hundreds of aeroplanes without so far, it appears, making any real impression on the great air defences and military and citizen army which Marshal Voroshilov has assembled.

It is believed that the Soviet attack on an enemy salient in the central sector of the front, in which they buried the Germans back 30 miles and captured 22 villages is probably the counter attack which was seen by Lieutenant General Mason Macfarlane, head of the British Military Mission, somewhere northeast of Smolensk.

This, although a considerable operation, was not on the scale of the counter-attack for the protection of the Russian salient at Kiev about which details are awaited in London.

DRAMATIC STRUGGLE

The drama of the vast struggle in Russia which is rapidly approaching decisions of vital consequence to the future course of the war overshadows for the moment, but should not be allowed to black-out other interesting considerations. One is that the misgivings of the military leaders as well as private citizens in Germany on the way the war is doing for them are now being freely expressed.

General Kabisch, in a remarkable article in the *Derneue Tag*, it is learned from Prague, points to the teachings of Clausewitz that conquering enemy territory without substantial gains could lead to the weakening of Germany's own position.

General Kabisch, with an eye on Russia's reserves in manpower and material, adds: "This applies especially to a war in the east where our aim must be to defeat the Red Army to such an extent that our force can resume the offensive against England or in the Near East."

TROOP MOVEMENT

Another consideration is that under cover of Germany's preoccupation in Russia, the emigration of the armies of the British Empire and Britain—from Canada to England, from England to South Africa, Australia and India to the Middle East, from India and Australia to the Far East—has reached, formidable proportions and must soon be ready to meet all eventualities on the existing and potential battlefields.

That Mr. Mackenzie King, one of the leading personalities of the Empire and very close to President Roosevelt, has been instructed in these eventualities in the highest British counsels concerned with "all questions of strategy and war which are pending" was one of the most interesting references to the Canadian Prime Minister's visit to England and Canadian forces made by Mr. Churchill at Mansion House today.

On Wednesday night, Moscow City Council's President, M. Pronin stated that the work of fixing up Moscow's underground stations as air-raid shelters was being completed.

Thousands of beds for children, and double layer of bunks for grown-ups are being provided on stations which have also been provided with running water, good sanitation and even a radio set.

The House Committee have arranged special corners in the shelters with beds for children, and in districts where there are many wooden dwellings, 10,000 dug-out shelters have been constructed with bunks and stoves. Some 3,300 houses are being strengthened to resist the effects of bomb blast. All this work is scheduled to be completed by October 17.

M. Pronin urged the utmost economy in the use of wood and coal, although Moscow has considerable supplies.

BANGKOK, Sept. 6 (Reuter) — Mr. Teiji Tsubokami, the First Japanese Ambassador to Thailand, arrived here yesterday.

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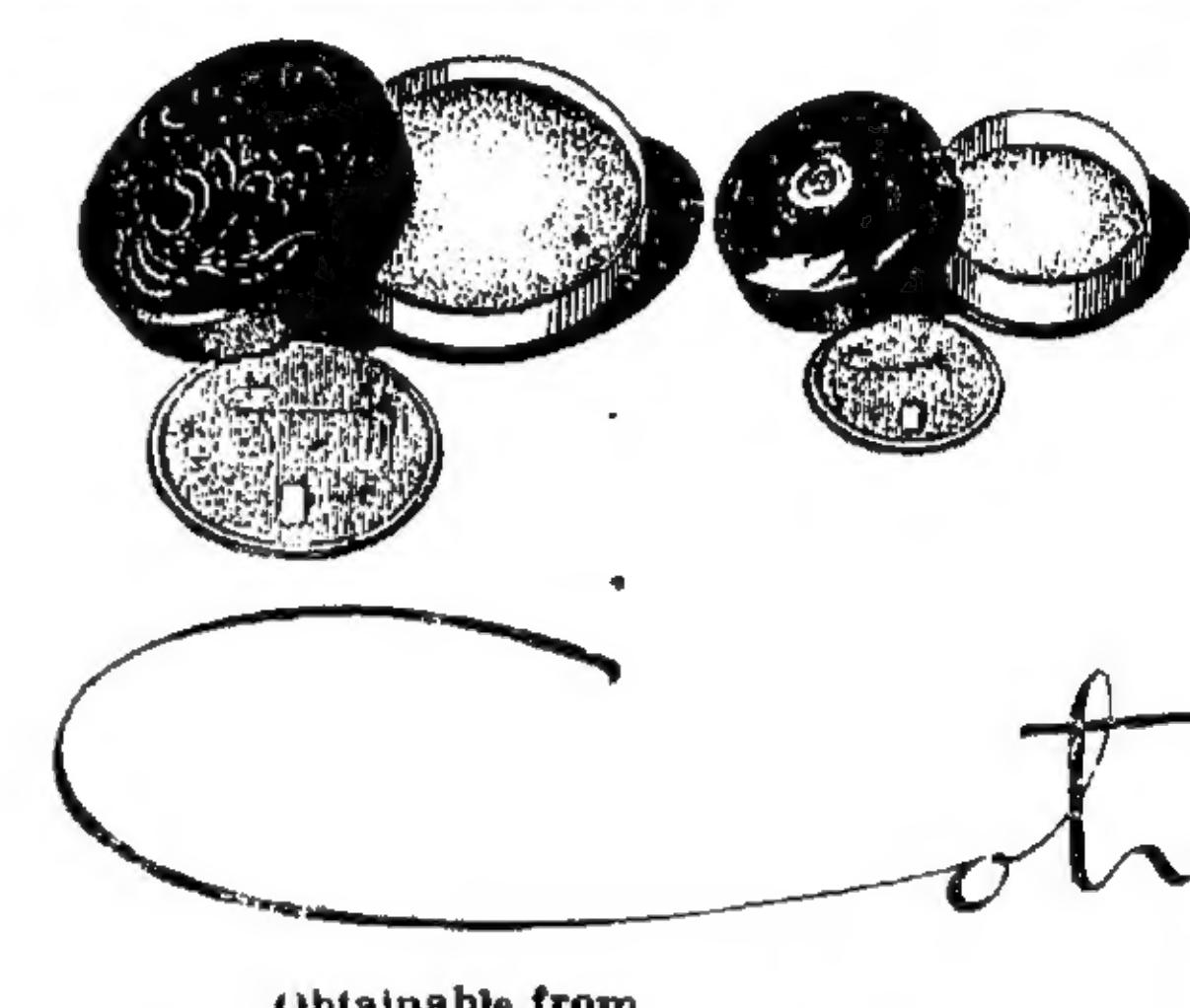
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SOUTHWARD BOUND

"Where was that?"

"Peterborough. Only one more hour to King's Cross."

"Good. Wonder how Town's looking these days."

"Pretty good, I should say. Any place would look good after a spell of the Northern Patrol. What are you going to do?"

"Oh, the usual things. Art galleries. Museums. Feeding the ducks in St. James's Park."

"Neither am I. I'm going to step high, wide and handsome in spite of the bombs. By the time I've finished the metropolis will be painted a chaotic crushed strawberry."

ROSE'S, THE WISE MAN'S NIGHTCAP

"First sensible thing you've said since we crossed the Forth Bridge. I shall adhere to Rose's Lime juice like a barnacle to an Italian battleship."

"I hear you, uncle. And now, take a tip from me. Try and remember this time to mix some Rose's Lime juice with your gin. Or take a long one to wind up the seemly fun and games. There's no time for mornings-after on a seven days' leave."

"Well, Well. Boys will be boys. Only beware of pickpockets, don't play billiards with strangers for money, and always wear flannel next your skin."

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EDITORIAL

Happy Valley Hillside Murder: Revenge Motive Alleged By The Crown

Revenge for an alleged swindle of second defendant's brother in Shanghai was the motive advanced by the Crown Counsel, Mr. E. H. Williams, prosecuting in the case in which CHAN LEUNG, alias CHAN SAI, 22, odd job coolie, YUNG BON-CHI, 23, earth coolie, and YUNG SZE-KIT, 25, coolie, were charged before Mr. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy yesterday with the murder of YUNG WING-PAN on the hillside in the Colonial Cemetery, Happy Valley.

Mr. Williams was assisted by Det-Sgt. N. B. Fraser.

Before opening his case, Mr. Williams said that the Crown was offering no evidence in the case of the third defendant and asked that he be discharged.

Mr. Williams, referring to the two speeches made at the Mansion House luncheon in London on Thursday does not lie so much in the tributes that the Prime Ministers of Great Britain and Canada paid to the people of the two countries for their magnificent courage, loyalty and devotion to the cause for which the British Empire has taken up arms and to the tremendous strength they have added to their war efforts.

The significance of the two speeches lies rather in the warning that was given by both speakers that unless these efforts were multiplied and absolute and full co-operation and co-ordination reached between the countries which comprise the British Commonwealth of Nations it would be impossible to extinguish the flame of war and prevent it from spreading to the whole world.

Accused stated that he intended to take revenge. He asked witness where he could buy a knife and asked witness to help. Witness refused and accused said he would ask "Ai Chai" Kwok, the first defendant.

The following day second accused had swindled his brother in Shanghai of £C5000 and his brother, after a quarrel, was sent to prison for assaulting deceased.

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The following day, July 29, witness went with second accused to Lascar Road and bought a pair of scissors. Accused also informed witness that he had engaged "Ai Chai" Kwok and his plan was that he would entice deceased to a place where Kwok would stab him.

Mr. Williams then went on to relate the events on the following two days when, on each occasion, second accused confessed to witness that Kwok could not stab deceased as there were many people about.

INVITED FOR WALK

On the evening of July 31 second accused invited witness and deceased for a walk down to Wanchai. They walked up Wanchai Road and, after a certain distance, rested. While they were resting witness saw Kwok walk past them.

On June 8 and clasped the hand of the President of the United States in token of a lasting friendship which the events of the last two years have strengthened and which have bound together the two countries in a common cause for world freedom. There is, however, reason for a little bewilderment among the peoples of Britain and Canada and the other parts of the British Commonwealth that there is still a minority in the United States which refuses to believe how far the things which Britain and her allies are fighting for affect their own security. Happily, the leaders of the great American people have been largely successful in bringing home to them the truth of this position. Their efforts to convert the United States into the arsenal of democracy have overcome numerous obstacles and difficulties and their ever increasing aid to Britain and her allies is proof that the realisation, though long in the coming, has at last become a fact and that the American nation is ready to play her part too in the fight against tyranny. The warning of the two Prime Ministers on Thursday will be taken note of in the United States and American co-operation can well be expected to reach greater proportions in the struggle that lies ahead.

When asked why he did not go to the police when he was robbed of \$20 and assaulted but waited two days until the Police sent for him, Ho replied that he thought it was only a small incident and, furthermore, he did not know the proper procedure of making a report.

The next witness, Leung Wing,

testified that he was the keeper of a divan at No. 533, Shanghai Street. About 3 o'clock on the morning of Aug. 10, Ho Sum went to his divan for a smoke and about 3.30 a.m. two Chinese, to

They were standing up and admiring the view when witness heard a cry from deceased and saw Kwok running down the road. He gave chase for a few yards and turned back and saw deceased bleeding from the chest.

Witness and second accused assisted deceased but after a few paces second accused gave a lurch, causing witness to lose his hold on deceased. Witness then saw accused pushing deceased down the hillside and they left for home.

On Aug. 2 the sexton of the cemetery noticed a very bad smell and found a decomposed body.

He then went and informed the Police. A few days later both accused were arrested on information.

MET DECEASED

On July 27 witness (Mr. Williams) said he would refer to the discharged man (as such), after meal went for a walk, as usual and met deceased to whom he was introduced by the second accused.

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All proceeds will be devoted to the Bomber Fund.

Arrangements are proceeding

pace in connexion with the "Tin Hat" Day which is to be held on Oct. 4 in aid of the Bomber Fund.

Lady MacGregor has kindly accepted the Presidency of the Ladies' Committee, on which the following ladies are serving: Mrs. G. D. R. Black, Mrs. A. N. Braude, Mrs. A. Hyde-Lay, Mrs. H. F. Phillips, Mrs. J. A. Ritchie, Mrs. E. C. Ritchie, Mrs. H. A. Taylor, and Miss Stella Bander (Honorary Secretary).

Fifty thousand miniature "tin hats" are being made and will be sold throughout the Colony on the day.

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Instead of appealing for

contributions for this and the

other fund, Lord Beaverbrook

asked every man and woman

to put out a Spitfire and the

national move to air su-

premacy was aroused.

The people of the British

Commonwealth realised that their

future existence depended on their

maintaining air supremacy over

the enemy. A terrific race was

being run and it was a question of

who would win.

R.A.F. GOES ALL OUT

The Germans estimated that

our immediate strength was not

great enough to hold theirs and

that they could put our air force

out of action. They saw that

through the air they might short-

circuit our air waves and sea-

power.

"I don't know what a minor-

ity we won the air bat-

tle over Britain, but the R.A.F.

certainly went all out in doing

so. I don't mean to say that

if the Germans had succeeded

better and looked like winning

the R.A.F. would not have

found ways and means of

squeezing a little more out of

their men and machines, but

Ho Yam testified that he was

awakened about 3 a.m. on Aug.

10 by banging on the door and

he saw a European and two Chi-

nese. The European and one of

the Chinese, said witness, entered

his room with a torchlight and

began to search. They went out

and searched the smokers and

witness saw Leung Wing being

assaulted and opium lamps being

destroyed.

Witness added that the third

defendant asked Leung Wing

whether he was the master. One

of the customers, Ho Sum, was

accused of being the master and

was pushed down the stairs by

the three defendants.

The hearing was adjourned to

Sept. 8, at 2.30 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1941.

THE WAR IN THE AIR:

R.A.F. LOSSES AND GAINS SINCE 1939 ANALYSED: THE PRESENT POSITION

"Two years ago the German air force faced the combined air forces of Britain, France and Poland. Today the German and Italian air forces face the combined air forces of Britain and Russia," said MAJOR OLIVER STEWART, M.C., A.F.C., the well-known authority on aviation, when he broadcast from London yesterday and analysed the R.A.F. losses and gains since 1939.

Major Stewart said that the Polish air force was good, but small and because neither Britain nor France was quite ready when war came, the Polish air force was soon put out of action. Then again the Germans struck first and the French air force went the same way together with the French factories which turned French planes out, though these factories had never reached their highest output at the time.

I do say that the R.A.F. put into that struggle all it had got.

"After that the Germans came along in the night. The whole picture was changed and the R.A.F. and our anti-aircraft gunners had to think out and try and devise and organise new methods for dealing with these night raiders. They held up without any wavering and finally on May 10 this year 33 enemy raiders were brought down on one night and large-scale raiding ceased.

PRESENT STAGE

"Then came the introduction of the present stage. The Germans attacked Russia and the R.A.F. found itself alongside the Soviet Air Force. The Germans claimed that the Soviet Air Force was small and that it was destroyed in the first few days of this fighting. It has now been shown that the Soviet Air Force is large and well organised.

"So now there are two strong air forces ranged against the Axis forces. The Italian air force is not capable of an useful offensive action.

"We constantly hear about pincer movements. Nearly all the German land operations are described as pincer movements. I don't know whether there can ever be a pincer movement of the air, but Germany now has two air forces striking at her in the air.

"And all the while the people of Britain and the United States are working hard to put out more planes and if the finishing post is in sight, the British worker will continue to work as hard. He must have that clear vision of victory assured provided he gives everything he has got," concluded Major Stewart.

WAR GAMES

Partial Black-out Of Colony

Hongkong was partially blacked out as from midnight last night, all external lights in streets and on buildings being extinguished in accordance with the Government Gazette notice.

This measure was not under the jurisdiction of the Air Raid Precautions Department but was taken in conjunction with the large-scale military exercises of the Colony's Defence Forces.

All defence posts throughout the Colony were fully manned at dawn yesterday when the exercises officially commenced. They will be continued well into next week.

EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS

The three-day exhibition of paintings by Prof. Huang Chun-li at the Hotel Cecil commenced yesterday and the constant stream of people entering and leaving the exhibition rooms provided a happy augury for the success of the exhibition.

There were over 100 scrolls on view depicting famous landscapes and scenes of Mt. Omei of Szechuan Province.

The exhibition will be open to day and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Sept. 4:

Cerebro-Spinal Fever, one case; Cholera, four cases; Diphtheria, one case; Dysentery, eight cases; Enteric Fever, six cases; Tuberculosis, 60 cases.

WALLET LOST

Mr. Parker, of No. 104, The Peak, made a report to Kowloon City Police Station yesterday evening that he had either left his flat, leather note case, containing \$51, in a blue taxi or lost it at Kai Tak Airport Reception Room.

NOTICE

The public are hereby notified of the following traffic arrangements which will be enforced on the day of the arrival in the Colony of H.L. Governor designate Sir Mark Young, K.C.M.G.

1. Jackson Road and Connaught Road Central from Pedder Street to Jackson Road will be entirely closed to vehicular traffic from one hour before the landing of H.L. until the landing ceremony is completed.
2. Upper Albert Road from Government House to Garden Road; Garden Road from Kennedy Road to Queen's Road and Queen's Road from Murray Road and Connaught Road central to the Hongkong Club where guests will alight and walk to Queen's Pier. Cars will be parked in Connaught Road Central east of the Hongkong Club.

4. No parking of vehicles will be permitted on the following car parks from 6 a.m. until the ceremony is completed.

TEN PER CENT. ON ALL DISBURSEMENTS

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chosen there was evidence that heavy ground would be encountered and that in all probability square set timbering would be required to maintain the tunnels. This was given as a further indication of possible additional expense. It was confirmed at the interview that speed was the prime factor and again we stressed the point that to accomplish speed would incur heavier expenditure than normal operations. We definitely stressed the point that the haulage and disposal of broken rock from the tunnel faces presents a problem and even under the best condition would entail considerable expense. In this regard it was decided that we would call for tenders for haulage contracts to you for your consideration.

"Apart from these considerations we informed you that we saw no major difficulties in carrying out the work required and arrangements are in hand to start work immediately and to continue with all possible speed."

TUNNEL ENTRANCES

"It was decided that the tunnel entrances would be approximately ten feet by ten feet sections to taper to an eight feet by eight feet tunnel, all tunnel entrances to be finished in concrete blocks or other suitable material. In view of the large stock of railroad ties in the Colony, it was decided that an eight by eight tunnel would be most economical."

The D.P.W. in a letter in reply to this confirmed that \$450,000 had been set aside for the experimental stage of the work, that the work was to be carried out on a basis of cost plus ten per cent and that all labour costs and salaries of Marsman's staff directly employed in the work would be considered as a direct charge on the job."

Referring to the practical side of the undertaking, it was noted that Marsman's had plant for five of the sites chosen and the letter observed that the absence of plant at that stage must not exclude the employment of hand labour at all other faces where such could be employed. It was agreed that the tunnel entrances were to be 10 by 10 and to taper to 8 by 8.

On February 14, 1941, the D.P.W. addressed a letter to Marsman's in which it was stated that as the initial stage of the A.R.P. work had since long passed and in view of the programme still to be undertaken, the D.P.W. was of the opinion in the interest of Government economy that the existing arrangement should be reviewed and it was suggested that Marsman's might be prepared to accept a reduced "percentage on costs" rate on future work as from March 31, 1941.

The letter went on: "You will of course appreciate that it is impossible to put any definite terms as to the time or the amount which may be expended in these operations, but our commitments are very considerable."

"With regard to the amortisation of plant, it is agreed that Government shall acquire the existing plant now being hired upon amortisation basis by the payment of \$29,347, being the outstanding balance of the amortisation account. All new plant acquired in the future to be purchased by Government except where circumstances dictate that other arrangements would be mutually more satisfactory. It is not possible to precisely indicate these."

Replies to this letter on March 15, Marsman's said: "While we appreciate the views expressed by you, at the same time we feel that you do not realise the fact that our costs on this job are considerably more than the actual disbursement statements that we rendered to you. Under the circumstances, we offer the following for your consideration: that the present arrangement of cost plus ten per cent be continued subject to a full calendar month's notice of termination."

ARRANGEMENT CONTINUED

"In suggesting the continuation of this arrangement, we must point out that we have not been making ten per cent, on cost or as suggested in Paragraph 6 of your letter of September 18, we have not charged to the job any office or executive overhead. In fact we are not receiving the full salary of any of our men, many of whom are devoting full time to the work. Taking into consideration the executive overhead and full salaries together with promised bonuses which have helped greatly to accelerate the work, we shall not make more than about 6 per cent, on the cost which as you, we feel sure, will appreciate, is much below the usual profit on cost plus contracts of this nature."

"In order to meet you as far as possible, we agree to the suggestion as set forth in Paragraph 4 of your letter of the 14th ultimo on the following terms: That the purchase of all new plant made by the Government direct shall not be considered as a cost to the job unless purchased by us and then each individual purchase to be considered as an individual transaction on terms mutually agreed upon."

"In regard to this suggested arrangement we feel that it is only fair to us that we should remind you that a great amount of work has been put in by our Trading Department, who have sold all equipment and supplies at cost to the Government, thereby foregoing their usual trading profits which range from 20-30 per cent on many items. In addition to this, we would point out that all purchases made through our Manila firm have been made at cost and that we shall have to pay them a handling fee of five per cent."

AGREEMENT EXTENDED

The D.P.W. replied to this letter in the following terms on April 7, 1941:

"In reply to your letter of March 15, I have to advise you that I am authorised by Government to extend the existing working agreement between your company and Government on the present terms of cost plus ten per cent subject to a full calendar month's notice of termination and subject further to the following condition: That the purchase of all new plant made by Government direct shall not be considered as a cost subject to plus 10 per cent but that all purchases of plant made upon you on behalf of Government shall be so subject; each such purchase made by you shall be considered as an individual transaction on terms mutually agreed upon."

This arrangement to be in operation as and from April 1, 1941."

The Chairman: Exactly how many tunnels have your firm constructed up to date?

MANY SUB-TUNNELS

Mr. Carmian: It is impossible for me to state the exact number as there are so many sub-tunnels. I can give you the amount in footage. On July 31, it was 49,180 feet.

You are familiar with all this work? In a general way you have visited these tunnels?—I have, on many occasions.

Call them hide-outs? If you like, not tunnels. How many are there in Hongkong to which the public could go?—There are approximately 21 sites in which there are numerous portals, so that the total number of portals which people could enter may number 200.

There are 21 different sites on which underground tunnels are made. What about Kowloon?—I have nothing to do with Kowloon.

How many of these 21 sites are entirely completed?—The tunnels could have been used in the case of an emergency practically at once but due to medical requirements and Government regulations on sanitary equipment and ventilation problems we are working on all the tunnels at this time.

There is not a single tunnel entirely completed?—Not one tunnel is entirely completed in conformity with the regulations of Government.

What do you mean then by your correspondence that these tunnels should be completed at the earliest possible moment?—At the outset this job was a question of speed. A year and a half before we took the job on we approached Government and were requested to submit estimates which we did, pointing out that before anyone could take on the job, they would have to engineer it from the stand-point of the foundations, the lay-out, ventilation and many other factors. When we were called in on the job, we were asked to start immediately, and Lieut.-Gov. E. F. Norton, the then Acting Governor personally visited the sites and requested that we speed operations as fast as possible. Everyone thought at that time that we might have an invasion.

NOT ONE COMPLETE

In the space of 12 months you have been working on the tunnels, and yet not one is completed?—We worked as fast as possible. We were ordered to make possible the protection of the population in the event of trouble.

Have they all got sanitary arrangements installed?—They have not, to my knowledge.

Have they all got seating accommodation for the public?—They

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Chun-Shing Institute Of Commerce Prize Day

His Excellency Mr Wei-chih Liu, Minister of Overseas Affairs of the Kuomintang, Chungking, gave away the prizes yesterday evening at the annual distribution of prizes of the Chun-Shing Institute of Commerce, held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden.

Among those who addressed the large graduating class were Mr Peter H Sin, Mr Wei, Mr Robert C. S. Kwok, Director of the Institute, and Dr S F Lam, who thanked the guests for their attendance.

Among the guests were Mr. Kwok Chan, Vice-Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Dr Lee Shue-kee, Mr Li Sing-kul, Mr Chan Pak-sin and Mr Wei Shiao-pak.

THE GRADUATES

Graduates who received their diplomas were:

SUCCESSFUL GRADUATES

FULL COURSE OF COMMERCE DIPLOMA

17th Term:—Augustine Yeung Kwan, Tan Tjoe Hok, Cha Fook Yan, Lee Hon Hee.

18th Term:—Fan Hon Chow, Kwok Ping K, Mabel Nio, Chan Koon Ming, Penny Lo, Wong Sau Yen, Ng Sau Hong, Stella Chow, Chow Tat Choi, Wong Yik Ki, Kan Yu Shing, Ng Yu Thui, Vuna Kyam Slong, Ho Wai El, Ng Wal Man.

PRESCRIBED COURSE OF COMMERCE DIPLOMA

17th Term:—Fakir Muhammed Tong Kam Lin, Lo Ching Hee, Lam Chack Ting, Tam Yuen Lin, Jefferson Wong Lin Chuan An, Der Tung Cheung, Fong Shiu Lam.

18th Term:—Wei Pak Ham Young Yu Kin, Mak Shup Shing Yue Ping Yim, Chan Wai Tung, Lau Kai Fung, Liu Kwing Wah, Lau Yuet Hing, Loui Sai Ngong Wong Chun Bong, Chan Chi Yan.

COMMERCIAL RAPID COURSE DIPLOMA

5th Term:—Chan Kwan, Fong Shau Yip, Lew Shiu Chee, Leung Yu Chu, Fan Chan Lam, Wong Man Foo, Mario dos Ramos.

ACCOUNTANCY COURSE DIPLOMA

3rd Term:—Lo Kwok Hung, Liu Wai Ying, Ng Chi Kwan, Cheung Wai Sing, Hung Tung Leung, Lo Chi Klin.

4th Term:—Chow Koon Ping, Tong Hol Wing, Yuen Lai Ching, Ma Shok Ching, Leung Shiu Man, Yeung Lam Cho, Ma Wal Yee, Tam Chung Man.

5th Term:—Ying Fook Kong, Wong Yin Sui, Tam Big Yuk, Pang Chung Pak, Wai Shiu Hung, Wong Kam Hung.

TYPEWRITING SENIOR COURSE DIPLOMA

28th Term:—Hang Wai Hing, Ching Wai Tung, Luk Tak Hong, Fung Yam Tung, Shum Chi Yan.

29th Term:—Clara Chan, Jessie Tam, Lolita Ho, Chan Cham Po, Lucy Wong, Chan Lai Yin.

TYPEWRITING JUNIOR COURSE DIPLOMA

28th Term:—Angeline To, Li Sui Ying, Alice Huang, Pearl Lee, Tsang Hong Chuen, Chung King Cheung, Chan Koon Kau, Emily Heul Wong Kit Sang, Lee Wai Man.

TYPEWRITING COMPETITION FOR OLD BOYS

Winners:—Tam Bon Hung and Tam Bon Lop.

GERMANS WANT CARTHORSES

LONDON, Sept. 5 (BWS)—The German occupation authorities have just expressed a desire to buy carthorses in France.

They have let it be understood that if the number of horses offered for sale is insufficient, they will be requisitioned in accordance with Germany's needs.

No doubt, France is going to lose the greater part of her equine livestock which is needed by the German armies for transport across the plains of Russia, the roads being impassable for motor vehicles during the winter.

Mr. John R. Greaves, formerly of Messrs. M. Beraha and Co., Hongkong, and serving with the Australian Imperial Force, has escaped from a prisoner of war camp and is safe and well. After the withdrawal of the British forces from Greece he was reported to be among the missing.

Have they all got sanitary arrangements installed?—They have not, to my knowledge.

Have they all got seating accommodation for the public?—They

CABLE

FINAL GAME OF BASEBALL SEASON

Chinese To Play Navy In Charity Series

By R.O.Y.

Bringing the local baseball season to a fitting close, the U.S. Navy clash with the Hongkong All-stars this afternoon in the fourth leg of the Charity Cup Series at the Chatham Road ballpark, with the proceeds going to local charities.

Owing to the local War games, Hongkong will be represented today by the Chinese squad that won the local International Series championship from America, and as the Navy will be fielding most of the players of that squad, the Hongkong boys should stand a great chance of putting the handsome Charity Cup on ice.

Should the Navy win, though, another game will have to be played to decide the issue and if necessary will be played at 10.30 a.m. tomorrow with the same squads in opposition.

Umpires for this afternoon's struggle will be "Doc" Moilhan, Hana Waggoner and Pinky Higgins.

LOCALS LINE-UP

"Granpop" Leung will be in charge of the locals and will probably line up Wally Ching on the mound, Nip Lum behind the plate, Y T Chan at the initial sack, Mack Wong at second, Morocco Chan at the Hot Corner and Willie Woo at short.

Gardeners will be Hank All, Dick Chung and Loony Loong.

NAVY SQUAD

The Navy will be represented solely by the U.S.S. Mindanao who have had to play a lone hand throughout the series.

"Ski" Pawlowski will again take the mound in a big effort to even the count and will have his regular hindnatcher, Tony Macavage in support. MacKenzie will guard the first stop, R. W. Wilson the Keystone, Bowersox third and "Crooner" Ruei the Windy Alley. Picketmen will be selected from Willie Wilson, Greasy Moore, Kennard, Danny Daniels, Groneck and Rogers.

A host of fans are expected to be on hand rooting for the Navy to stay in the race and an excellent battle can be expected.

TOKYO AND THE FOOCHOW WITHDRAWAL

TOKYO, Sept. 5 (Reuters) — An attempt to explain the Japanese withdrawal from Foochow, capital of Fukien Province and Treaty Port, is made by the JAPAN TIMES, organ of the Japanese Foreign Office.

It says there is no longer any strategic necessity for continued occupation.

It further remarks that "Chinese citizens of Foochow have shown they are capable of administering Japanese reforms themselves" and adds that the Japanese withdrawal has "provided the world with a concrete case of respect for territorial integrity and sovereign rights such as the Atlantic Charter required."

CAIRO, SUEZ CANAL AREAS BOMBED

CAIRO, Sept. 5 (Reuters) — There was an air raid last night on Cairo and Suez Canal areas, states the Ministry of the Interior.

"Bombs were dropped on a suburb of Cairo, killing one and injuring 21. There was very slight damage."

Italian Submarine Rammed, Sunk

LONDON, Sept. 5 (Reuters) — The sinking of an Italian submarine by the British cruiser Hermione is reported in an Admiralty communiqué.

It says that the Hermione, (Captain G. N. Oliver, R.N.) recently sighted an Italian U-boat on the surface shortly before dawn. While the cruiser altered course and increased to full speed, the enemy attempted to "crash-dive," but the Hermione cut the U-boat in half, carrying a portion of the wreckage away on her bows.

There were no survivors from the U-boat.

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TWO WOULD-BE SUICIDES

A Chinese woman, Kwok So, 31, residing in an unnumbered house in Tokwawan, tried to take her life by jumping into the sea near the Sung Wong Toi, Kowloon City, at about 2 o'clock yesterday morning.

She was rescued by boat people nearby, and on being questioned stated that abject poverty prompted her to the act.

The Germans had learnt the lessons of war and of those tanks much better than Britain or France but now, since 1939, Britain had developed this weapon along with her planes and other war weapons.

Lord Beaverbrook had helped to speed up that work.

"These words would not have given pleasure to Hitler or to the militant nationalists in Japan. There is truth in the Japanese Prime Minister's statement that his country is facing the greatest crisis in her history. In my view Japan cannot save herself by aligning herself with Germany. Her only safe course will be to return to the liberal policy formerly pursued by her elder statesmen."

"Japan may well reflect on the statement of Marshal Smuts that the greatest sacrifices which mankind has made for the cause of freedom shall not be buried by Hitler. We shall bury Hitler instead."

Earlier in his talk, Mr. Steed said that if anybody had told Herr Hitler that at the beginning of the third year of war he would be fighting his biggest battle against Russia while Britain was bombing Germany and making things very uncomfortable for Berlin he would not have thought such a course possible.

It is significant that Lord Beaverbrook is to lead the British delegation to the conference in Moscow," said Mr. Steed. "Before he became Minister of Supply he was Minister for Aircraft Production and was responsible for the speeding up of the production of aeroplanes last year and in this.

"He is now to discuss the question of supplies for Russia with the Americans as an expert."

CHANGE IN RUSSIA

Reviewing the change that had brought about in Russia since the last war, Mr. Steed said that

Enemy Convoy Off Sardinia Smashed By Fleet Air Arm

Cairo, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — A successful attack by the Fleet Air Arm on an enemy convoy is recorded in an R.A.F. communiqué. It says that the convoy consisted of five merchantmen with an escort of seven destroyers, and it was attacked east of Cape Spartivento (Sardinia).

WAR-TIME EMPIRE SUPPLIES

LONDON, Sept. 5 (B.W.S.) — Reports received in London show that a welcome addition to war time Empire supplies is the remarkable progress in the linen flax industry in New Zealand.

Before the war, no linen flax was grown in the Dominion but when the war reduced supplies to Britain from other sources, experiments on a large scale were undertaken.

So great was the success that the British Government has now undertaken to buy the crop of 25,000 acres during the war and for one year afterwards at agreed prices.

Six additional factories are to be erected, making a total of 17 in the Dominion.

The value of the first year's crop was £35,000.

INTERVAL IN INDO-CHINA BETWEEN ACTS

OCCUPATION MOVE JUST A BLUFF?

SAIGON, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — Governor General Admiral Decoux has arrived in Saigon after a tour of Cambodia. No new political developments are expected at the moment and with the departure of General Sumita to Japan, the latest phase of the Japanese move southward and the second act of incursion in Indo-China appears to have ended, leaving the curtain down between acts preceding the unforeseeable next episode.

While Japanese troops are preparing for a prolonged sojourn they are manifestly incapable of further offensive action in this area due to various factors, notably insufficient strength which is only a fraction of the recent estimates abroad.

While some quarters interpret the Japanese occupation of Southern Indo-China as a bluff intended to distract attention from a surprise attack against the Netherlands East Indies, other circles consider that the first sign of a definite weakening in the Russian western front will be the signal for a Japanese move against Siberia.

A considerable school of thought emphasises Japan's previous domestic and economic position and believes that an agreement between Japan and America in which Japan makes certain concessions in return for certain economic advantage is a likely solution to the present situation. It is feared, however, that such an agreement may be reached at the expense of Indo-China.

SHAI-HANGCHOW TRAIN DERAILED

CHUNGKING, Sept. 5 (Central) — A Hangchow-bound train on the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway was derailed at Shihutang near Sungkang, important station southwest of Shanghai, on the morning of September 2, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

The derailment was caused by the removal by the Chinese guerrillas of a considerable section of the tracks.

The damage done is believed to be heavy but the number of casualties is not known.

REALISTIC S'PORE WAR GAMES

SINGAPORE, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — Defence exercises with "effects" will be held here in the middle of September lasting two days. They will be so realistic that the population has been warned in advance not to be alarmed.

A communiqué announcing the exercises declares that the measures need cause no alarm. They are merely a contribution towards the training of services on whose work the community will depend in an emergency.

GUNS AT THE READY

FORMIDABLE U.S. SQUADRON IN THE ATLANTIC

ABOARD A U.S. WARSHIP ON THE ATLANTIC PATROL, Aug. 21 — United States warships operating under virtual wartime conditions are carrying out President Roosevelt's instructions to keep the sea lanes clear and maintain the nation's promise that the supplies to Britain will get through writes Phil Newsom in the Manila Bulletin.

The attack was made during the night of September 23. A large merchantman was hit by a torpedo and blew up in a column of smoke rising 9,000 feet. Another large ship was hit by a torpedo armada, and two smaller vessels in the convoy were damaged.

The attack was achieved in complete surprise and caused great disorder. Destroyers apparently fired on their own ships, some of which narrowly avoided collision with each other.

During the same night, the Fleet Air Arm dropped a number of bombs on Sicilian aerodromes at Comiso and Gerbini. One enemy aircraft going in to land was attacked from close range and was hit while an enemy three engined aircraft was shot down in flames over Gerbini.

British aircraft machine-gunned both aerodromes from a low height.

R.A.F. heavy bombers attacked Derna, Gazala and Bardia during the night of September 23. At Derna, bombs fell near a barrack and a post and telegraph office causing a fire and explosion.

At Gazala, fires were started on the south landing ground.

At Bardia, a direct hit was scored on the officers' quarters.

The Fleet Air Arm attacked store dumps at Gambut where a number of fires were seen to break out.

On Wednesday in the frontier areas, fighters of the South African Air Force intercepted a number of enemy fighters which attempted to attack our forward landing grounds. In air combat, five of the enemy fighters were shot down without loss to our formation.

No British aircraft is missing from these operations.

U.S. STABILISATION LOAN TO MEXICO

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — Real progress in negotiating a stabilisation loan to Mexico is being made, according to an announcement made by the United States Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, who added that these were simple negotiations on which he could comment.

The opinion is that this tends to confirm reports that similar loans are being negotiated with Ecuador, Colombia and possibly other Latin-American countries.

The stabilisation loan would bolster Mexican currency and would apparently be made simultaneously with the settlement of the expropriation question.

In this connexion, the "Journal of Commerce" reports that the formula for a settlement of the expropriation controversy calls for payment of \$9,000,000 down to American oil companies and further instalments chiefly in the sales of oil at 20 per cent below the prevailing market price.

The journal adds that the settlement of the oil question, which has been presented to the interested companies for acceptance, will be part of a comprehensive agreement involving a stabilisation loan of \$30,000,000 and a \$30,000,000 Export-Import Bank credit for expansion in the pro-

DIGGERS IN MALAYA WANT REAL ACTION

(TRIBUNE STAFF REPORTER)

Australian troops in Malaya, of whom there are many thousands, are feeling slightly bored with having so little to do. They want action, like their brothers in Libya and on other fronts, and they want to do their job in such a way that there will be no need, either in Malaya or elsewhere, for any of them to remain here.

These are some of the impressions of Senator H. S. Foll, Australian Minister of Information, and of the Interior, who, with a party of leading journalists from Down Under, have been visiting our defences, principally with reference to troops from their country.

In a farewell interview with the Malaya Tribune, Senator Foll expressed thanks on behalf of the Australian troops in Malaya, to all those who have made their stay in this country so pleasant and given the men such hospitable reception and welcome.

Mr. Foll added that his party and he were very grateful to all the local Service chiefs and others with whom they had come in contact.

Referring to the question of an Australian envoy in Malaya, on which he touched in the course of his interview on arrival here, Mr. Foll said that he had had very full discussions with the local authorities, and when he returned to Australia he would immediately go into the matter. He was more convinced now than ever of the great need for Australian representation in Malaya.

Speaking of the local war effort, he said that he had been greatly impressed by what was being done here, as also in the N.E.I.

One outstanding impression of Malaya that he would carry with him was how the local people—Chinese, Malay and Indians—were helping in the war effort, both in the industries and factories and actively in the Services, actively in the Services.

AUSTRALIAN ENVOY TO CHUNGKING

BATAVIA, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — The first Australian Minister to Chungking, Mr. Frederick William Eggleston, who is at present in the Dutch East Indies, yesterday paid a visit to the military authorities at Bandung.

In a Press interview Mr. Eggleston said that his nomination was the third of a series of appointments which demonstrated Australia's sincere desire to develop relations with other Pacific countries.

BRITISH ASSISTANCE TO CHINA

SHANGHAI, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, has appointed a special committee to unify all British organisations rendering aid to China.

The Committee will be authorised to take direct control of all British aid services to China, according to reports in the Chinese Press here.

GENERAL

ALLIED MERCHANT SHIPPING

British, Allied, and neutral shipping losses have risen sharply in recent months to an annual rate approaching 6 million tons. Sinkings for May were 461,000 tons, compared with 189,000 and 488,000 tons for March and April respectively. Lower losses in June, 329,000 tons, probably reflect Germany's present preoccupation with Russia and should not at this time be used as a basis for future estimates. Until the spring of the present year it had been possible to confine average monthly losses to a rate of approximately 5 million tons per annum, and there was considerable hope that Britain would be able to carry on until effective replacements became available. The rapid widening of the margin between present sinkings and potential replacements, however, has brought the shipping situation to a critical stage.

Nazi leaders early realized that the one hope of ultimate victory lay in breaking out of Continental Europe to the sea lanes. The possession of strategic bases on the two thousand mile coastline from Narvik to Bayonne has enabled them to launch vicious assaults on all merchant shipping approaching the British Isles and in the summer and autumn of 1940 losses were particularly heavy in contrast with the rapidity of land operations in the present war, efforts to supply Britain by sea have settled down to a struggle of a titanic in which no single action can contribute largely to the final decision.

Provided that losses do not get out of control, and that every remaining source of tonnage is utilized to the fullest extent Britain authorities are confident that it will be possible to carry on through the coming critical months without serious impairment of the war effort. It is recognized, however, that such measures cannot in themselves be relied upon to shift the balance of offensive power from Germany to Britain. The only real answer to the problem—which must involve large additional amounts of aid from the United States to Great Britain—is new ship construction.

21 MILLION TONS

Britain at the outset of the present war owned or directly controlled a merchant marine of approximately 21 million tons. Since that time, through the capture of enemy shipping, acquisition of the merchant fleets of occupied countries, purchase and charter of neutral shipping and new construction within the British Empire, she has acquired direct control over an additional 11 million tons. To a very large extent, however, these additions are of a non-recurring nature. Against the total of such credits must be placed admitted losses by enemy action of approximately 6 million tons, leaving some 25 million tons of shipping still available for use.

This amount, while representing a gain of 4 million tons over that controlled at the outbreak of hostilities, cannot be considered a reduction of strategic materials and purchase of military supplies.

A high official indicated that most of the major differences had been ironed out and that an agreement may be announced in a "week or a month."

Despite the blockade of Europe, resulting in the release of large quantities of shipping for other purposes, the establishment of import controls, and the more economical operation of all vessels, British shipping is badly handicapped in many directions. Convoys proceeding at the speed of the slowest ship, longer hauls due to the elimination of Europe as a source of supply and the dangers of the Mediterranean, and congestion in British ports, have greatly impaired the present effectiveness of the merchant service.

NEW YORK, Sept. 5 (Reuter) — Mr. Myron Taylor, President Roosevelt's personal representative to the Vatican, by Clipper yesterday for Lisbon en route to Rome, having recuperated from a severe illness that has lasted several months.

Park cattle are remarkably free from tuberculosis. Major Gurney's

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BLACK & WHITE



WET FLEX LED TO ELECTROCUTION

A shop assistant, 20-year-old Khek Ang Moh, died of heart failure following an electric shock on the night of Aug. 13, while he was engaged in salting vegetables in the back yard of a shop in Bali Lane, Singapore.

MILKING RECORD

Park cattle, descendants of the gigantic white beasts that once roamed wild through Britain's forests, are today setting up new milking records.

The cattle owned by Sir Claud Alexander, Bt., of Faygate, Sussex, last year attained an average milk yield for the herd of 8,080 lbs., with a butter fat content of 4.50. In the previous year one heifer gave 11,724 lbs., and was fifth best heifer of all breeds in the West Sussex Milk Recording Society's books.

Park cattle are both the oldest and youngest of British breeds—oldest in respect of their long lineage, and youngest in that they made their first appearance in the ring at the Royal Agricultural Society of England's 1920 Show.

The first volume of the Park Cattle's Society's Herd Book was published in 1918 and dealt with all the animals then in existence.

A vivid white in colour, with ears, muzzle, teats and eye-lashes black or red, they are large, magnificently proportioned beasts, adapted to both milk and beef production.

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herd of 150 head, no fewer than ten of which have earned the Ministry of Agriculture's 3-year Certificate (for a yield of 24,000 lbs.) have all passed the tuberculosis test for several years in succession without a single reactor.

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Speaking of Mr. Menzies' proposed tour to London, Mr. Foll expressed the hope that Mr. Menzies would spend some days in both Malaya and the N.E.I.

"My own experience here," he added, "has led me to the belief that personal contacts are the best way of securing the best knowledge."

Any action now taken to prevent Mr. Menzies from going to London would mean that Australia and Australian troops would be deprived of representation in the heart of the Empire at a time when that valuable representation was so urgently needed.

He expressed the hope that Austral-Malaya trade would improve and that relations would get closer.

Discussing the question of American collaboration in the Pacific, Mr. Foll said that if it became necessary, and if America were in any war on our side, the Singapore Base should be thrown open to American warships, just as Australian harbours would be made available to the U.S. Fleet.

Mr. Foll said that he and his party had made many friendships during their visit here, and he was sure that they would be lasting.

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CHINESE SILK EXPORT REVIEWED

Possible shortage of raw silk in America revives the hope of Chinese silk producers and exporters who, despite war conditions, have tried to improve and increase Chinese silk production as well as to find means to export it.

The Foreign Trade Commission spent \$1,700,000 for the latter half of 1940 and the earlier half of 1941 on the improvement of Szechwan silk and to stimulate production.

The Women's Advisory Committee of the New Life Movement Association under the direction of Madame Chiang Kai-shek maintains experimental stations in seven west Szechuan cities, with Loshan (Kiating) as centre, to introduce new strains and new methods of raising silkworms and controlling diseases. Madame's "Green Angels" working among the silk-farmers have won themselves another name—"Silkworm Doctors." Other institutions, too, have joined in the silk production campaign.

Silk used to be one of China's leading export products. Export which declined after 1929 as a result of world depression and Japanese occupation picked up after

the Chinese government began to provide funds and technical advice, with experts sent by the League of Nations, to improve sericulture. The outbreak of hostilities at Shanghai in 1937 adversely affected Chinese silk export which came chiefly from southern Kuangsu and northern Chekiang. Silk export in that year was \$55,171,845, or 55 per cent of the total exports of \$83,826,265,706. It was only \$4,200,000 less than the 1933 figure of \$57,300,000, the all-time high in the years immediately before the war.

The evacuation of southern Kuangsu and northern Chekiang in the winter of 1937-1938 and the general dislocation following Japanese occupation of Nanking caused, among other things, a drop of silk production and export. In 1938, it represented only 4.4 per cent of China's total exports.

An upward trend, however, appeared in 1939 when sericulture began to revive in the Tai Lake basin and in Szechuan. Export that year was 13.9 per cent of the total. The percentage increased further to 14.25 in 1940.

Although the value of Chinese silk exports increased spectacularly volume decreased during the period.

CHEAP SILK WASTE

White raw silk represents the major portion of Chinese silk exports followed by yellow raw silk, wild raw silk, and raw silk from dupions. Cheap silk waste and cocoon stripings are exported in quantity. After the outbreak of the war, the export of raw silk reeled from dupions remained fairly stable in volume. That of white raw silk and re-reeled white silk increased steadily, the 1937 white raw silk figure being about five times that of 1937, and even the lean year 1940 nearly doubled that of the first war year, while the 1939 re-reeled white raw silk figure was six times, and the 1940 figure three and half times that of 1937.

The export of steam filature, white raw silk dropped sharply in 1938 after the destruction of Shanghai, Wusih, Hangchow, and Huchow filatures. Production and export, however, gradually picked up in the next two years.

The same situation applies to yellow raw silk, as not re-reeled silk is manufactured by native silk farmers while silk reeled in steam filatures is produced in modern factories. The war shifted silk processing to private homes rather than to factories. As to wild raw silk, it is produced mainly in Shantung and Honan war areas, at present controlled by the Japanese.

Before the war, most of China's silk export went to Hongkong (for transhipment), the United States, France, and then Japan, Italy, and the South Seas. Since the war, the majority of Chinese silk goes to the United States, France, India, Burma, and England. A portion goes to Japan from Shanghai where the Japanese have control over filatures in occupied areas. The exports of Chinese silk to different countries can be seen from table 1.

Different kinds of silk have their own favourite markets. White silk is mainly exported to America, France, and Hongkong (mostly for re-export). About one fourth of the annual total is sent to America, and one fifth to France, the rest is divided among England, India, Germany, Egypt, Indo-China, and other countries. Since the war, most of the Chinese white silk goes to America, representing two thirds of the total white silk exports.

India and Burma absorbed most of the Chinese yellow silk export. About half of the total went to the two tropical Asian countries. One fourth went to France and one fifth to America. Since the war, half of the yellow silk export goes to Burma, with India and France taking a considerable share.

Finance and Commerce

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

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SEPTEMBER 5, 1941

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Shanghai:	On demand	400
Singapore:	On demand	52 3/4
On Japan:	On demand	102 1/4
On India:	Telegraphic Transfer	82 5/8
New York:	Bank Bills, on demand	24 15/16
	Credits 4 months' sight	25 5/8
On Batavia:	On demand	46 3/4
On Paris:	Bank Bills, on demand	Non.
	Credits 4 months' sight	Non.
Salon:	On demand	106
On Manila:	On demand	49 7/8
On Bangkok:	On demand	148
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Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/2 for Ready and 23 7/16 for Forward American Silver was quoted at 343 4 for Forward American Silver was quoted at 343 4 for Spot.

The London New York cross rate was quoted at 4021 2. New York-London was quoted at 43 1/4

MARKET

Quiet STERLING

There were sellers at 1 3 up to October, buyers at 1 3/1 32 for Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

Selling rate to Merchants 25

1 16 SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Business done at 516 and 515 1/2. There were sellers at 515 1/2 buyers at 517.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Open Market. Early advices reported sellers of Sterling at 2.55/64. Subsequent advices indicated sellers at 2.7-8 for Spot. U. S. Dollars early advices reported sellers at 4.13 1/16 and advices received towards 1 p.m. reported sellers at 4.27 3/2 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

Quiet STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 up to October, buyers at 1 3/1 32 for Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

Selling rate to Merchants 25

1 16 SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Sellers 516, buyers at 517.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Open market. Sterling at 2.57/64 and U. S. Dollars at 4.29/32 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Sept. 5 (Reuter).

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Opening

London 0/3-5/32

New York 5/5/18

Japan unquoted

India 17-1/2

Paris unquoted

Hongkong 21

STERLING

Sellers

Opening

Spot 0/2-55/64 0/2-7 8

Sept. 0/2-55/64 0/2-7 8

U. S. DOLLARS

Spot \$4-13/16 \$4-27/32

Sept. 4-13/16 4-27/32

Market—Very quiet.

SILVER DUTY RATE

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 24-1/2 per cent.

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, Sept. 4 (Reuter).

Silver—Market quietly steady.

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have not, but I understand some have.

Would it not be correct to say that though speed was the prime factor in the contract, the longer it takes the more money your firm makes?

Mr. Davidson.—Is that a suggestion that the contract has been deliberately delayed? I cannot see the relevancy of the question.

The Chairman. I am making no suggestion. In the opinion of the Commission this question is most relevant to the terms of the Inquiry. Your objection is overruled.

The Chairman.—Have you any idea, Mr. Carman, when the whole job of building tunnels will be finished?—I have no more idea than I did at the start. Two weeks after the job commenced, Lieut.-Gen. Norton indicated that if we could not speed up the work, it would have to be stopped.

He said that?—Yes. He was anxious for us to open as many sites as possible. No other firm in the Colony was in a position to carry on.

On these 21 sites, at the moment none of which you say have been completed, what in your estimation is the total number of people they can shelter?—49,000 feet would accommodate approximately 200,000.

Do you consider that if they were all full, that they are in a sufficiently advanced stage to house these 200,000 people for 24 hours?—Many of them are.

Would you mention those that are in a position to house the occupants for 24 hours? I have to reserve my answer. Some may not. Why? The ventilation shafts may not have been completed in all

VENTILATION SHAFTS

You know how many of these sites have ventilation shafts? I am afraid I don't.

Can you find that out?—Yes. Some may not have ventilation shafts, depending on the site and elevation of the entrance.

Do you know how many have ventilation vents worked by machinery?—I cannot give the exact number.

Can you find out?—Yes. Have you commenced any new tunnels within the last two months?—I believe so—at Aberdeen.

This is other than the 21 sites you have mentioned?—Yes.

At the last hearing we were discussing this question of plant which you had purchased for the job. I think you promised, if my memory serves me right, to find out more details about this plant. Have you?—I have here a summary of the plant and equipment purchased by us on behalf of Government.

What is the total value of the equipment?—\$269,254.47 as of July 31.

In October, 1940, roughly a month after you exchanged these letters with the P.W.D. you purchased \$43,799.13 worth of plant, in November you purchased \$18,724.68, in December \$39,667.92, in

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the costs of the hire the more your firm makes?—Yes.
 Can you tell me who fixed this hire?—Are you referring now to the Hongkong Mines?

Yes, if you like—that was arranged between ourselves and the P.W.D.

Which gentleman in the P.W.D.?—I believe Mr. Campbell and Mr. Pearce.

—CANNOT REMEMBER
 How was the arrangement made? In correspondence or verbally? I cannot remember.

Will you ascertain and let us know?—Yes.

With regard to Kin Lee, how were the terms of hiring made? That happened to be just another question of getting a compressor. We were looking all over Hongkong and all the ports in the East for the equipment and it so happened Kin Lee had a spare one. Just how it came to the job I don't know. I don't know who arranged it. I presume it was arranged between ourselves and Mr. Campbell.

Who fixed the rent?—I cannot say. Did your firm fix it?—No.

Therefore it must have been Mr. Campbell?—It must have been arranged by Mr. Campbell and Mr. Pearce and Kin Lee.

Who fixed the rent?—I cannot say.

Did your firm fix it?—No.

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Who fixed the rent for the plant that you hired?—That was arranged in conversation between members of my staff.

So Marsman's fixed the rent?—Yes.

Without consulting the P.W.D.?—We consult the P.W.D. on every item of expenditure.

In that case, Marsman's fixed the rent with Mr. Campbell and Mr. Pearce?—That's right.

To come back to this arrangement between you and the Public Works Department for making the tunnels, it is mentioned in the letter from Mr. Pearce that your firm would be responsible for the insurance for which Government would pay. Is that correct?—Not that we were responsible, but we would try to secure policies similar to those in force in the Needie Hill Mine.

Did you succeed?—We approached several insurance firms but no British company would take out the policies. Finally, we obtained a policy from the Asia Life.

When was that?—Shortly after the job started.

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Has that been charged to Government?—It has not.

You know the group of tunnels at Belcher?—Yes.

Can you tell us when you started to do that job?—I have to supply that information. It cannot be remembered off-hand. It commenced several months ago.

Is it completed yet?—It is completed so far as the driving is concerned. That was what we were actually concerned with in the original contract. Other problems, such as ventilation, the Government declined to carry on.

But you are in fact performing that?—Yes.

It has not yet been completed? No, for what reason I don't know.

Do you know when it will be completed? As an ordinary citizen would you say that these tunnels are in fact able to house people for 24 hours? They can be used. The ventilation in that area is particularly good.

Would they be able to stay 24 hours? There is no sanitation there? I think not. My company has arranged for sanitary accommodation to be installed.

There is some kind of ventilation? The natural ventilation is sufficient, but it may be necessary to drive a few ventilating shafts for dead ends.

There is a lot of seepage there?—There is, if it is not gunnited.

Assuming taht water is dripping through rock, it will be necessary to gunnite the rock and that has not yet been done. Are the railway track lines pulled out? Some are. We were held up by military considerations, but they finally agreed to let us through.

You know the site at Wyndham Street, by the Dairy Farm? Has that been completed?—No.

TUNNEL SYSTEM

You know when that started? That tunnel system was started some months ago. After starting on the general system it was decided that various other portals would be opened and that is the reason why some of the portals are now being let for ventilation.

Eye who do you know?—I do not know, and at that time I could not believe. I thought it was strange we had not been consulted. I went to have a look at the sites myself and found it was true. Someone was starting work.

Have you not heard who sub-let the contract?—I don't know, but I thing it was discussed at one of the Tuesday meetings.

Is your firm actually doing the ventilation work?—Since that time, we decided to use ventilation through shafts. Later, when the matter came up, I questioned officials again on the other system and the matter was reviewed. A Committee, I believe, was appointed.

We carried out one or two tests in connection with the systems and hired cooler to try to substantiate the merits of both systems.

Are you now doing the ventilation system?—We are in some of the tunnels but I don't know what policy has been decided on.

Who instructed you to start the ventilation system?—It was at the Tuesday meeting.

DESIGN FANS

Is there anything in writing?—I think there is. We have been instructed to design various fans which we have done and made.

You don't know off-hand how many fans you have installed in these tunnels?—We have made in the neighbourhood of 12 to 15.

How many have you installed?—I cannot tell. We try to get the most satisfactory system to that end. Government has decided to send Mr. Campbell and Mr. Curtis to Chungking a few days ago.

Until Messrs. Campbell and Curtis went to Chungking, do you know if either had seen any tunnel ventilation system? Have you yourself?—The system is the same as that we use in our mines. The Chinese shelters have not got proper ventilation systems. As a matter of precaution we are going into the matter in detail. We have got Mr. Newman, our consulting engineer, from Singapore where he had been working. He is here now and is checking on the ventilation.

You have no recent definite instruction to install mechanical ventilation system?—On certain sites.

Have mechanical systems been installed in these sites?—Yes. On other sites the work is held up by lack of entrances. We make the fans and Government purchases the engines.

Mr. Carman was requested to supply information on the timber purchased, the price paid, and his firm's dealings in concrete at the afternoon's hearing.

Out of equipment you could not?—At cost plus ten per cent, naturally.

Do you know off-hand if you bought railway sleepers?—Yes.

Many!—Originally, we intended to use railway sleepers. The size of the tunnels were

designed for sleepers but after placing orders with Jardine's we found they were in such a shape that we were unable to use them for certain parts of the job. Later these were cut up. Were you ever approached by anybody to purchase railway sleepers?—Several people approached me. We first purchased 2,000 from the National Development Company.

I forgot to ask you one thing in connexion with the contract. Were you ever told by the Public Works Department that you were at liberty to sub-contract this work?—I have sub-contracted the work in agreement with the P.W.D.

Have you sub-let much of this work?—Very little.

Who instructed you to do this?—Since I received most of my instructions from them, I presumed it was Messrs. Campbell and Curtis.

Is there anything in writing permitting you to sub-let the contract you have undertaken from Government?—The contract was on a cost plus ten per cent basis and every thing has to be approved by Government. I don't think there is more than two or three, possibly four, sub-contractors on the job.

They were brought in for tunnel relining.

But is there anything in writing from the P.W.D. to your firm permitting you to sub-let these contracts?—I have to supply you with that information.

DOS NOT KNOW

Who is doing the ventilation to the tunnels?—I am afraid I cannot answer that. I don't know just what is happening. Originally we did nothing with the ventilation.

Some months ago, I learned from outsiders that a contract had been let for ventilation.

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Am I correct in saying that timber condemned was sold as firewood by the Public Works Department?—Not to my knowledge.

Where did you buy the timber?—I can give you information, and also the price you paid for it?—Yes.

Do you know off-hand if you bought railway sleepers?—Yes.

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